

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 4-5, 19 and 22.

Please amend the claims as follows.

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for providing at least one temporary resource on demand for a specified resource-time in a computer system that includes a plurality of logical partitions, the method comprising the steps of:

requesting an enablement code corresponding to the at least one temporary resource for the specified resource-time;

receiving the enablement code;

enabling the at least one temporary resource for the specified resource-time;

using the at least one temporary resource for the specified resource-time;

~~controlling access to a minimum resource specification for each of the plurality of logical partitions to assure the at least one temporary resource may be recovered when the specified resource-time expires by not allowing a sum of all the minimum resource specifications for all of the plurality of logical partitions to exceed a total of resources that are permanently enabled in the computer system, wherein each minimum resource specification for each of the plurality of logical partitions specifies minimum resources that must be available for a logical partition corresponding to the minimum resource specification to function correctly;~~

reading a minimum resource specification for all of the plurality of logical partitions, each minimum resource specification specifying minimum resources that must be available for a corresponding logical partition to function correctly;

one of the plurality of logical partitions requesting to increase a minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition;

determining a total of resources that are permanently enabled in the computer system;

determining whether the requested increase in the minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition will cause a sum of all minimum resource specifications for all of the plurality of logical partitions to exceed the total of resources that are permanently enabled in the computer system;

if the requested increase in the minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition will cause a sum of all minimum resource specifications for all logical partitions to exceed the total of resources that are permanently enabled in the computer system, denying the requested increase in the minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition; and

if the requested increase in the minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition will not cause the sum of all minimum resource specifications for all logical partitions to exceed the total of resources that are permanently enabled in the computer system, performing the steps of:

permitting the requested increase in the minimum resource specification corresponding to the one logical partition; and

enabling the at least one temporary resource; and

recovering the at least one temporary resource when the specified resource-time expires.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10 further comprising the step of evaluating ~~an~~ the enablement code to determine whether the code is valid, wherein the enablement code includes the specified resource-time.

12-24. (Cancelled)